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SUBJECT: FY 2006 IVLP EU RP on Current Social, Political and Economic Issues - October 24-November 11, 2005 - Adrienne Batra (Principal Candidate)

REFERENCE: OTTAWA 1504

Post is pleased to nominate Adrienne Batra, Manitoba Director of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation for subject project. Ms. Batra has full country team approval. EVDB-formatted nomination follows.

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START BIO:

PREFIX: Ms.

F-NAME: Adrienne

M-NAME: Harpreet Kaur

L-NAME: Batra

SUFFIX:

POSITION-CODE: 339

PRINCIPAL?: Yes

GENDER: F

DOB: 11/09/1973

MAR-STAT:

BIRTH-CITY: Maple Creek, Saskatc

BIRTH-CNTRY: Canada

CITIZ-CNTRY: Canada

RES-CNTRY: Canada

START MEMO POSITION:

Manitoba Director, Canadian Taxpayers Federation

END MEMO POSITION:

START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:

- Researcher, Saskatchewan Party Caucus

- Research/Writer, Saskatchewan Telecommunications

- Communications Intern, Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:

START MEMO US-TRAVEL:

- December 1989 - Los Angeles, California - duration of visit was 7 days (personal)
- December 2001 - Orlando, Florida - duration of visit was 8 days (personal)
- )- March 2002 - New York City- duration of visit 6 days (personal)
- September 2003 - Big Sky Montana - duration of visit 10 days (personal)

END MEMO US-TRAVEL:

START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:

START MEMO EDUCATION:

Masters in Public Administration, Bachelor of Arts (Hons.)

Political Studies

END MEMO EDUCATION:

START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

I.H. Asper School of Business Young Associates

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:

The Taxpayer Magazine (national)- contribute articles for Manitoba section.

- Frequent contributor to the Winnipeg Sun - opinion editorials include privatization, government waste, smoking ban and equalization payments
- Provide a weekly commentary entitled Let's Talk Taxes which is distributed to 80 media outlets across the province.
- Published pre-budget submissions to both the Province of Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg
- Published a report on the impact of School Taxes on Farmland
- Provided a submission to the review of MLA Salaries and Pensions and the Review of the Freedom of Information & Privacy Protection Act.

END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:

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NOMINATING-OFFICER: CG Todd Schwartz

START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

Adrienne Batra leads the Manitoba branch of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, a federally incorporated, non-profit, non-partisan, organization that describes itself as a watchdog on government. Ms. Batra has consistently been a high-achiever throughout her adult life, whether in college where she completed her college degree while serving as a Lieutenant in the Canadian Armed Forces - and being elected VP Academic to the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union - or in her current position where she maintains a high public profile through her well-researched columns and serving as a frequent guest host of Manitoba's most-listened to call-in radio show, Adler On Line. Although Ms. Batra is clearly thriving in her current environment, Post expects that she will continue to rise through the expanding network of pro-trade and free enterprise NGOs in Canada and one day will likely run for elected office. Ms. Batra is an avid free-trader and is favorably disposed to the United States, despite relatively limited exposure to the country and its people. More extensive exposure to the country through an IVLP would help to further shape her perceptions of the

United States and put some 'meat on the bones' of the positive conceptions she already holds. Batra will share her experiences in the United States via media appearances when she returns, as well as through her leadership position.

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